

certain forms of work, which were largely mechanical (such as paying cheques on special pay-days), he would make fewer mistakes, although more exhausted after it. He was troubled with frontal headache at these times which was not relieved by glasses. Complained of pain from knees downward in both legs. He was unable to stand for any length of time unless he braced himself to do so. Weakness was fairly constant. Did not complain of his arms. A heavy meal would make him dizzy and bilious, so that he would be obliged in the street to cling to some object or he would fall. He did not think much about his condition at this time. Constipation pronounced. He would tire easily mentally. Was advised by physician to take trip and went down Hudson for ten days. He was, he says, at this time restless, irritable, and tired of everything. Trip not of service. On return did light reading and loafed for about two weeks. He then went to the woods with a friend and knocked about, felt somewhat better and returned August 31st and worked irregularly for a few hours daily for one week and then went on September 5th, 1916, to another city, where he acted as accountant. Work here not heavy for first few weeks, but he was depressed, easily tired, and smoked heavily. During this time he got on fairly well. Gradually, however, he found his work more difficult owing, partially at least, to his own condition. Says he would limp around office, that "he would pull his feet around" without raising them from floor. Did not notice anything unusual about hands, although he had been troubled intermittently since previous spring when he noticed pen would slip from his fingers unless handle was large. He was under medical treatment from November 1st for weakness of knees, general weariness, and an "all in" feeling with sleeplessness, difficulty in adhering to his work although fond of it, and felt he was incapable of doing it after repeated but unsuccessful efforts. This terminated on December 4th in an attack of muscular spasm, general in its distribution. No special cause of which he is aware to induce this attack, except pressure of work as he was both teller and accountant. It came on in evening, when he says he had a feeling of hysteria. He noticed first symptoms at bank of rubbing hands together and extreme restlessness of hands. He then went to see a doctor, who took him home and a complete attack developed, all the muscles of the body being involved, but voice or speech not especially affected. The attack started about 7 p.m., gradually increased and lasted till 1 a.m. He did not lose consciousness at any time that he is aware of. He got out of bed about eleven